



Presents...

Big Sky Interpreting Conference

Montana School for Deaf and Blind

Great Falls, MT

August 7-9, 2008



Aug 7th 8:30 to 4:30

“Creative Interpreting on the Spot!” by Pam Meinhardt

Learn strategies and tips on how to interpret literature, poetry, theater or any other creative interpreting. Improve your ability to use improvisation and apply it to your use of classifiers and creative interpreting.

Pamela Wright Meinhardt is an English teacher and published writer from Minnesota who also teaches Deaf Studies, Theater Arts, Deaf Literature, and Character Education. In the past, Pamela has also worked as an interpreter trainer in Alabama, theater Sign Master for the Arizona Theater Company, and ASL teacher at a variety of locations. She started playing with ASL-English translations at the age of 12, continues to hone this skill, and is always seeking creative challenges that give respect to both languages. She received an award for her translating and ASL usage as a Theater and English major at Gallaudet.

Aug 8th and 9th 8:30 to 4:30 (both days)

“Educational Interpreting: Theory to Practice” by Daniel D. Burch, PhD, CSC, SC:L, CED: Professional

School districts have the tendency of placing the newest interpreters at the younger levels, because the children “don’t know as much as the older students.” However, the field knows all too well that highly skilled interpreters are needed at all levels. Seminars for interpreters in precollege educational settings generally consist of lectures. This seminar will be a combination of lecture, group discussion and hands up/voice on interpreting. Each participant is expected to move outside their comfort zone and interpret in the hardest setting ever: before their peers.

Dr. Daniel D. Burch is Vice President of Sign Language Services International, Inc., a private practice providing interpreting, Sign Language classes, RID approved continuing education units, and consulting services. He is former President and Region IV Representative of RID, a former CIT Board Member, and a former educational interpreter. Dr. Burch is a certified teacher of the deaf, holding a Council on Education of the Deaf Professional Certificate.

➤ **Conference Fee:**

\$150 members, \$175 non-members

Same day registration will be \$200 members, \$225 non-members.

In partnership with MSDB, your lodging has been provided in the MSDB dorms.

➤ **Cancellation Policy:**

1/2 of registration fee will be refunded.

➤ **Registration:**

Online registration: www.montanarid.org

Mail registration to:

MRID c/o

Cathy Copeland

731 Topaz Ave. Billings, MT 59105

➤ **CEU's:**

UNC-DO IT Center is an Approved RID CMP Sponsor for Continuing Education Activities. This Professional Studies program is offered for 2 CEUs at the Some Content Knowledge Level.

➤ **Disability Accommodations:**

If you have a disability and need accommodations, please contact Cathy Copeland at ccopeland@msubillings.edu

It is the mission of Montana Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf to promote a professional community of interpreters by providing professional development opportunities in a supportive environment.

Mail-in Registration Form:

Name: _____ Phone: _____ Payment: Check _____ Cash _____

Address: _____ Credit Card

(Log onto www.montanarid.org)

Staying at dorms: Yes _____ No _____